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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following amendment and remarks in response to the final Office Action dated September 13, 2007, and in light of the Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, submitted herewith.